SPECIAL CALLED MEETING, JULY 1, 2014, 8:30 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 803, COUNTY COMPLEX, 180 N. IRBY STREET, FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

PRESENT:

James T. Schofield, Chairman
Waymon Mumford, Vice Chairman
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member
Willard Dorriety, Jr., Council Member
K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr., County Administrator
Malloy McEachin, County Attorney
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

ABSENT:

Mitchell Kirby, Secretary-Chaplain Jason M. Springs, Council Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director Samuel K. Brockington, Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator David Alford, Registration/Elections Director Gavin Jackson, Morning News

A notice of the Special Called meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the June 30, 2014 edition of the <u>MORNING NEWS</u>. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, copies of the Meeting Agenda were provided to members of the media, members of the public requesting copies, and posted in the lobby of the County Complex, the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org).

Chairman Schofield called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Waymon Mumford provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Schofield welcomed everyone attending the meeting.

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2014/15

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 01-2014/15: A Resolution In Which Florence County Council Requests The South Carolina Association Of Counties To File An Amicus Curiae Brief In The Matter Pending In The South Carolina Supreme Court, County Of Florence And Florence County Council vs. The Registration And Elections Commission For Florence County; Wayne Joye, In His Official Capacity As Auditor Of Florence County; And Dean Fowler, Jr., In His Official Capacity As Treasurer Of Florence County. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved with a six (6) to one (1) vote. Voting in the affirmative were Chairman Schofield, Councilman Culberson, Poston, Bradley, Mumford, and Caudle. Voting 'no' was Councilman Dorriety.

Chairman Schofield commented that the majority of the members of Council felt there were several ambiguous provisions in the law that absolutely had to get cleared up regardless of which side of the issue you were on. He stated that he talked with the Auditor and Treasurer before it was filed to clarify that this was not an adversarial position, simply they were the people named in the legislation that would be required to do certain acts and there were certain things in the legislation that was unclear, potentially for the election commission and these two elected officials, and the Supreme Court would have to clear that up or rule on it.

There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Culberson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:34 A.M.